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DETAILED ACTION

1. This application has been examined.
2. The response filed 3/27/08 has been entered.
3. The following is a quotation of 35 U.S.C. 103(a) which forms the basis for all obviousness rejections set forth in this Office action:

(a) A patent may not be obtained though the invention is not identically disclosed or described as set forth in section 102 of this title, if the differences between the subject matter sought to be patented and the prior art are such that the subject matter as a whole would have been obvious at the time the invention was made to a person having ordinary skill in the art to which said subject matter pertains. Patentability shall not be negated by the manner in which the invention was made.

4. Claims 1-17 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as being unpatentable over Emens et al (6463343) and Perkins et al (6106457).
5. Regarding claim 1, Emens et al show a command control device (abstract, Figure 2A, column 2 lines 1-7), including: an input section operable to provide an instruction based on input received from user (column 1 lines 55-65, column 2 lines 1-15 and 55-64), an output section operable to output a display screen that presents information to the user (column 2 lines 60-67, column 3 lines 1-11, column 4 lines 15-29), an image capture section operable to capture from the display screen a display

image that is to correspond to a particular command from the display screen (column 3 lines 25-45), a command control information generator operable to generate command control information including regarding the captured image and particular command (column 4 lines 20-35 and 47-62), a command control information storage operable to store the information (column 4 lines 60-67), a command presenter for making the output section present the captured image on the display screen based on the command control information stored so that the user can select via the input section the captured display image that correspond to the particular command (column 6 lines 5-15 and 25-55), and a command selector operable to execute the particular command when the user selects the captured display image that the command presenter causes the output section to present based on the stored command control information (column 6 lines 30-45). Emens et al do not go into the details that the selection of the captured display image by the user directly results in said command selector executing the single particular command, but do mention efficiently associating the captured image. Furthermore, Perkins et al do show selection of the captured display image by the user directly results in said command selector executing the single particular command, for efficient association of the captured image (abstract, Figures 38, 40, 41A, column 5 lines 1-18 and 35-57, column 6 lines 22-50, column 31 lines 35-55). It would have been obvious to a person with ordinary skill in the art to have this in Emans et al, because it would allow efficient association of the captured image. The Perkins reference thus brings out the single assigning of the captured image to be the command, in terms of selection, annotation, or analysis.

6. Regarding claim 2, the image capture section captures the image of an area selected by the user from the screen according to the instruction (Perkins et al column 4 lines 40-50).
7. Regarding claim 3, the image capture section automatically captures all or part of the display screen according to prescribed conditions while an application corresponding to the command is executed (Perkins et al column 4 lines 45-60).
8. Regarding claim 4, the conditions are based either on number of executions of the command (Perkins et al column 6 lines 5-15 and 30-43).
9. Regarding claim 5, the image is a moving picture varying with time (Perkins et al column 7 lines 10-15, column 5 lines 15-25).
10. Regarding claim 6, the system has a communication section for connecting to the Internet and an image is presented as a bookmark of a browser for presenting information communicated (Perkins et al column 7 lines 20-45).
11. Regarding claim 7, the image is a moving picture varying with time (Perkins et al column 7 lines 10-15, column 5 lines 15-25).

12. Regarding claim 8, image and a text list are used as bookmarks (Perkins et al column 7 lines 40-58).

13. Claims 9-16 show the same features as 1-8 respectively and are rejected for the same reasons.

14. Claim 17 shows the same features as claim 9 and is rejected for the same reasons.

15. Applicant's arguments filed have been fully considered but they are not persuasive. Applicant remarks on Examiner's use of Perkins to teach that selection of the captured display image directly results in executing the single particular command. However, applicant then makes assumptions as to Examiner's position on how Perkins would deal with audio or annotation data. Please note though that this need not be the command in particular that Perkins is concerned with. Applicant's claim is broader in that it simply requires that selecting the captured image directly results in executing a particular, *non-described*, command. This is accomplished in Perkins as shown above in the aforecited passages; that is to say a particular command is in fact executed. The motivation is correct between Emens and Perkins in that both seek efficient association of the captured image, and thus the combination is proper.

16. **THIS ACTION IS MADE FINAL.** Applicant is reminded of the extension of time policy as set forth in 37 CFR 1.136(a).

A shortened statutory period for reply to this final action is set to expire THREE MONTHS from the mailing date of this action. In the event a first reply is filed within TWO MONTHS of the mailing date of this final action and the advisory action is not mailed until after the end of the THREE-MONTH shortened statutory period, then the shortened statutory period will expire on the date the advisory action is mailed, and any extension fee pursuant to 37 CFR 1.136(a) will be calculated from the mailing date of the advisory action. In no event, however, will the statutory period for reply expire later than SIX MONTHS from the mailing date of this final action.

17. Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Steven P. Sax whose telephone number is (571) 272-4072. The examiner can normally be reached on Monday thru Friday, 8:30 AM - 5:00 PM.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, David Wiley can be reached on (571) 272-3923. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 571-273-8300.

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